TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2188 - HB 2746

February 24, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes ivermectin to be sold or purchased over-the-counter without a prescription or consultation with a pharmacist or other healthcare professional.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation does not state that private or government-funded insurance agencies must cover ivermectin or hydroxychloroquine. Therefore, it will not create any fiscal impact to these agencies, as they will not be required to change their current practice.
- The Division of TennCare (Division) covers treatments that are deemed medically necessary. However, the proposed legislation does not state whether the prescription for either drug needs to be considered medically necessary by the prescribing authority; currently, ivermectin does not meet the definition of medical necessity. Therefore, the Division would not be required to cover it and the legislation would create no fiscal impact.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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